ERCOT 2015 Severe Weather Drill

**Script for T/S Desk (ERCOT Version)**

**(NOTE- times associated with the events on this script are estimates only)**

**The beginning of each hotline call shall begin as follows:**

**“ERCOT is conducting a drill. All of the following instructions are for simulation and test purposes only. No real-time action is to be taken.”**

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| **DAY 1** | **07:30** | **COMMUNICATION TESTING** |

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| **DAY 1** | **08:30** | **ocn: ISSUED WHEN THE STORM IS FIVE DAYS AWAY** |

**Script: “ERCOT is conducting a drill. All of the following instructions are for simulation and test purposes only. No real-time action is to be taken.**

**(T#76) “This call requires everyone to remain on the line until it is complete. [TO] I will be asking you for the repeat back. This is ERCOT operator [first and last name]. At [xx:xx], ERCOT is issuing an OCN for an extreme cold weather system approaching [time frame] with temperatures anticipated to remain 32°F or below. TOs are instructed to:**

* **Review Planned outages and existing outages for the possibility of canceling or restoring equipment,**
* **Review and implement winterization procedures. Notify ERCOT of any changes or conditions that could affect system reliability.**

**[TO] please repeat this back to me.”**

**“This is a drill.”**

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| **DAY 1** | **10:00** | **ADVISORY: ISSUED WHEN THE STORM IS THRE DAYS AWAY** |

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**(T#77) “This call requires everyone to remain on the line until it is complete. [TO] I will be asking you for the repeat back. This is ERCOT operator [first and last name]. At [xx:xx], ERCOT is issuing an Advisory for the extreme cold weather system approaching [time frame] with temperatures anticipated to remain 32°F or below. TOs are instructed to:**

* **Review Planned outages and existing outages for the possibility of canceling or restoring equipment,**
* **Review and implement winterization procedures. Notify ERCOT of any changes or conditions that could affect system reliability.**

**[TO] please repeat this back to me.”**

**“This is a drill.”**

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| **DAY 1** | **12:00** | **watcH: ISSUED WHEN THE STORM IS one DAY AWAY** |

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**(#78) “This call requires everyone to remain on the line until it is complete. [TO] I will be asking you for the repeat back. This is ERCOT operator [first and last name]. At [xx:xx], ERCOT is issuing a Watch for the extreme cold weather system approaching [time frame]. Temperatures are expected to remain 32°F or below. TOs are instructed to:**

* **Review Planned outages and existing outages for the possibility of canceling or restoring equipment,**
* **Prepare for higher than usual loads,**
* **Review and implement winterization and emergency operating procedures. Notify ERCOT of any changes or conditions that could affect system reliability.**

**[TO] please repeat this back to me.”**

**“This is a drill.”**

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| **DAY 2** | **08:00** | **mArket notification of media appeal** |

**Script: “ERCOT is conducting a drill. All of the following instructions are for simulation and test purposes only. No real-time action is to be taken.**

**“This is ERCOT operator [first and last name], ERCOT has issued an appeal through the public news media for voluntary energy conservation. Any questions? Thank you”.**

**“This is a drill.”**

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| **DAY 2** | **11:00** | **emergency: issued when the storm is in texas** |

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**(T#79) “This call requires everyone to remain on the line until it is complete. [TO] I will be asking you for the repeat back. This is ERCOT operator [first and last name]. At [xx:xx], ERCOT is issuing an Emergency Notice, the extreme cold weather system is beginning to have an adverse impact on the system such as [state what the adverse impacts are].**

* **Prepare for higher than usual loads and the possibility of load shedding.**

**ERCOT will continue to monitor the extreme cold weather system and will convey information and instructions as conditions warrant. [TO] please repeat this back to me.”**

**“This is a drill.”**

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| **DAY 2** | **11:30** | **advisory issued for prc below 3000 mw** |

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**(T#1) “This call requires everyone to remain on the line until it is complete. [TO] I will be asking you for the repeat back. This is ERCOT Operator [first and last name]. At [xx:xx], ERCOT is issuing an Advisory due to Physical Responsive Capability falling below 3000 MW. [TO] please repeat this back to me.”**

**“This is a drill.”**

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| **DAY 2** | **12:00** | **watch issued for prc below 2500 mw** |

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**(T#3) “This is ERCOT Operator [first and last name]. At [xx:xx], ERCOT is issuing a Watch due to Physical Responsive Capability falling below 2500 MW. [TO] please repeat this back to me.”**

**“This is a drill.”**

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| **DAY 2** | **12:30** | **eea 1** |

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**(T#5) “This call requires everyone to remain on the line until it is complete. [TO] I will be asking you for the repeat back. This is ERCOT Operator [first and last name]; at [xx:xx], ERCOT is declaring EEA 1. [TO] please repeat this back to me. That is correct, thank you”**

**“This is a drill.”**

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| **DAY 2** | **13:00** | **eea 2** |

**Script: “ERCOT is conducting a drill. All of the following instructions are for simulation and test purposes only. No real-time action is to be taken.**

**(T#7) “This call requires everyone to remain on the line until it is complete. [TO] I will be asking you for the repeat back. This is ERCOT Operator [first and last name], at [xx:xx], ERCOT is declaring EEA 2 and is issuing an appeal through the public news media for voluntary energy conservation. Reduce customer loads by using distribution voltage reduction measures, if deemed beneficial and any available capacity from Load Management Programs, [Load Resources and / or ERS have been deployed].**

**“This is a drill.”**

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| **DAY 2** | **13:30** | **eea 3** |

**Script: “ERCOT is conducting a drill. All of the following instructions are for simulation and test purposes only. No real-time action is to be taken.”**

**(T#8) “This call requires everyone to remain on the line until it is complete. [TO] I will be asking you for the repeat back. This is ERCOT Operator [first and last name], at [xx:xx], ERCOT is declaring EEA 3 firm load shed. ERCOT is issuing an Operating Instruction for all Transmission Operators to shed their share of [amount] MW. Transmission Operators are to report to ERCOT when this is complete. Implement all measures associated with EEA 1 and 2, if not already implemented. [TO] please repeat this back to me. That is correct, thank you”.**

**“This is a drill.”**

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| **DAY 2** | **14:30** | **restore firm load** |

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**(T#10) “This call requires everyone to remain on the line until it is complete. [TO] I will be asking you for the repeat back. This is ERCOT Operator [first and last name], “at [xx:xx], ERCOT is issuing an Operating Instruction for all Transmission Operators to restore all firm load. Report to ERCOT when this task is complete. [TO] please repeat this back to me. “That is correct, thank you.”**

**“This is a drill”**

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| **DAY 2** | **15:00** | **eea 3 to eea 2** |

**Script: “ERCOT is conducting a drill. All of the following instructions are for simulation and test purposes only. No real-time action is to be taken.”**

**(T#11) “This call requires everyone to remain on the line until it is complete. [TO] I will be asking you for the repeat back. This is ERCOT Operator [first and last name]. At [xx:xx], ERCOT is moving from EEA 3 to EEA 2. Load Resources are being recalled. [TO] please repeat this back to me. “That is correct, thank you.”**

**“This is a drill.”**

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| **DAY 2** | **16:00** | **eea 2 to eea 1** |

**Script: “ERCOT is conducting a drill. All of the following instructions are for simulation and test purposes only. No real-time action is to be taken.”**

**(T#12) “This call requires everyone to remain on the line until it is complete. [TO] I will be asking you for the repeat back. This is ERCOT Operator [first and last name]. At [xx:xx], ERCOT is moving from EEA 2 to EEA 1, [Load Resources and/or ERS Resources] are being restored. Distribution voltage measures can be returned to normal, if used, \*as well as Load Management Programs. [TO] please repeat this back to me. That is correct, thank you.”**

**“This is a drill.”**

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| **DAY 2** | **16:15** | **eea 1 to termination** |

**Script: “ERCOT is conducting a drill. All of the following instructions are for simulation and test purposes only. No real-time action is to be taken.”**

**(T#13) “This call requires everyone to remain on the line until it is complete. [TO] I will be asking you for the repeat back. This is ERCOT Operator [first and last name]. At [xx:xx], ERCOT is terminating EEA 1, a Watch still remains in effect. [TO] please repeat this back to me. “That is correct, thank you.”**

**“This drill is now concluded.”**